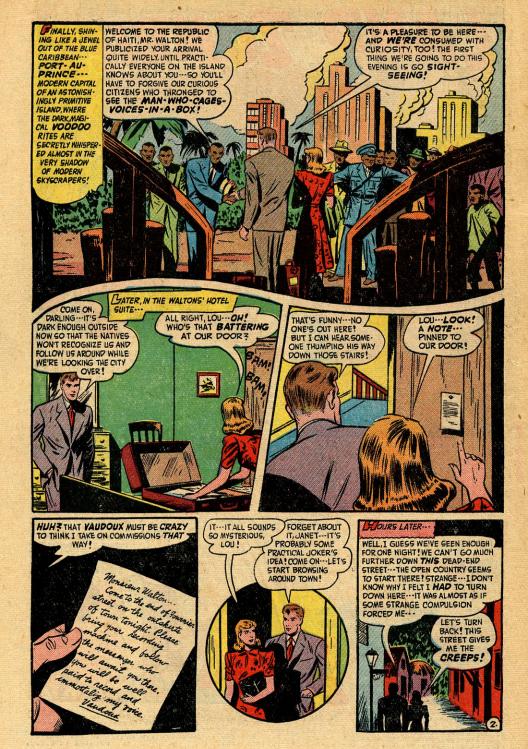


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---AND WHEN I REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS MY WIFE WAS GONE!
YOU'VE GOT TO FIND HER---AND YOUR
BEST LEAD IS PROBABLY THAT NOTE
I FOUND ON MY DOOR! I'M SURE
THAT VAUDOUX IS TIED UP IN THE
CASE SOMEHOW --- WHO IS HE?

IT WAS UNDOUBTEDLY WRITTEN BY A PRACTICAL JOKER

"BECAUSE NO HAITIAN WOULD DARE CALL HIMSELF
WANDOUX "THE NAME OF THE ANCIENT SORCERER
WHO ORIGINATED THE OCCULT SCIENCE OF VOODOO!
AND IT CANNOT HAVE BEEN SIGNED BY VALUEOUX
HIMSELF"-BECAUSE HE IS GAID TO HAVE DIED WELL
OVER A CENTURY AGO! YOU HAD BEST RETURN TO YOUR
HOTEL, MONSIEUR ""AND WE WILL GIVE YOU A PISTOL
IN CASE THE KIDNAPER RETURNS FOR YOU!"









### AND MOMENTS LATER ...

WH--- WHAT WOKE ME UP? FUNNY---I'VE GOT AN OVERPOWERING IMPULSE TO TAKE MY PORTABLE WIRERECORDING MACHINE AND GO TO THAT SPOT ON
FOURNIER STREET! SAY---IT'S PROBABLY AN INTUITIVE
HUNCH! THAT ZOMBIE MAY HAVE COME BACK FOR
ME --- AND IS WAITING FOR ME THERE! HE MIGHT--EVEN LEAD ME TO JANET!





LUCKY I THOUGHT TO BRING

THE PISTOL ALONG --- RECAUSE
IF A HAIR OF JANET'S HEAD
IS HARMED, TILL SHOW THESE
ZOMBIES WHAT IT MEANS TO
RUN AMUK!















THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE ... THE RECORDING I MADE OF VAUDOUX'S VOICE! IF I CAN JUST KEEP PLAYING ONLY THE BEGINNING OF IT, WHERE HE ORDERS THE SPIRIT OF THE PEAP TO OBEY HIM. THEY MAY THINK IT'S MY VOICE ... AND OBEY HURRY!



IN THE NAME OF LIFE AFTER LIFE, HEAR ME, O SPIRIT OF THE DEAD... HEAR ME...AND OBEY THE VOICE OF VAUDOUX!



YES, YOU HEAR ME ... NOW DO
MY BIDDING! HE WHO DESTROYED
YOUR ETERNAL REST AND MADE YOU
ETERNAL SLAYES IS YOUR ARCHENEMY ... YOU WILL NEVER BE AT
PEACE AGAIN UNTIL HE IS DESTROYED!
GO... WREAK YOUR
VENGEANCE ON HIM!

















# "SROYAL "SAVING THE "SAVING THE "SAVING THE FARMER'S CROP"

AT A SMALL
RURAL
AIRPORT,
TWO
CUNNING
SCHEMERS
WATCH A CROPDUSTING
PLANE
TAKE OFF
FOR
FARMER
JONES'
FIELDS...

WE DID IT, BOSS!
THAT PILOT DOESN'T
KNOW IT - BUT HE'S
GOT A SPRAY-TANK
FULL OF PLANT KILLER
--NOT BUG POISON!

WELL, JONES WANTS HIS CROPS SPRAYED -- AND I WANT HIS CUSTOMERS! THIS OUGHT TO PUT HIM OUT OF BUSINESS FOR A WHILE!

BUT DEPUTY U.S. ROYAL AND THE BIKE CLUB BOYS OVERHEAR THE SINISTER PLOT AND--

FELLAS, YOU GET THE POLICE
AFTER THOSE TWO, WHILE I
HOP ON MY JET-PROPELLED
BIKE AND CATCH UP
WITH THAT PLANE!

HE'S STARTING TO SPRAY
THE CROPS -- GOTTA
STOP HIM BEFORE HE
DOES TOO MUCH
DAMAGE!



ROYAL RACES ALONG THE ROAD AT THE CROP'S EDGE AND-- WITH HIS JET EXHAUST -- SPELLS OUT A MORSE CODE WARNING TO THE UNSUSPECTING PILOT!



MR. JONES, I HATE
TO THINK WHAT I'D HAVE
DONE TO YOUR CROP IF IT
HADN'T BEEN FOR ROYAL'S
TERRIFIC SPEED AND THOSE
JET SIGNALS'

AND THANKS TO THE SPEED OF THE BOYS HERE, THE MEN BEHIND THIS PLOT ARE NOW BEHIND BARS



FELLAS, FOR TOP SPEED - SURE FOOTING - AND SPLIT- SECOND CONTROL - YOU CAN'T BEAT U.S. ROYAL BIKE TIRES, WITH THAT SPECIAL BUILT- IN SKID CHAIN



"TAKE MY TIP ON BIKE TIRES --TAKE THE TIRE WITH THE BUILT-IN SKID CHAIN". SAYS U.S ROYAL

NO WONDER U.S ROYALS ARE TOPS IN BIKE TIRES... THAT BUILT-IN SKID CHAIN GIVES QUICKER, SURER STOPS ON ANY SURFACE. GET YOUR U.S. ROYALS TODAY! U.S. ROYAL BIKE TIRES



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## THE PIED PORPER

PROFESSOR FERGUS JENNINGS unlocked the door to his experimental animal laboratory, flicked on the light...and stood there, open-mouthed, aghast! "It...it can't be!" he gasped, his eyes fixed on the small white rat that had somehow managed to get out of its cage...and was now standing in front of a couple of books propped up on the lab table. "It...it's moving its head and turning those pages as if it's actually reading...but it...it can't be!"

Weakly, the professor staggered back into a chair and sat there watching as the rat lifted up a forepaw and flicked another page, bobbing its head swiftly from left to right as if it were reading rapidly, and then flicking another page.

In one blinding moment of realization, the professor knew that he wasn't dreaming...that this was actually happening, and he knew why! "It worked!" he shouted at the top of his voice. "That's the rat I fed my new intelligence-stimulator to...and the solution increased the rat's intelligence a million-fold... a billion-fold! And if it could do that to a rat, the solution will raise man's intelligence to god-like heights!"

The professor suddenly became aware that the rat was sitting with its head cocked to one side, staring at him peculiarly, with an eerie look of uncanny intelligence. "Great Scott... did...did it understand me?" he wondered. "Just how intelligent is it?"

Cautiously approaching the rat with his hand stretched out to grab it, the professor was startled as the rat darted from the table, landed on the floor, and scampered away into a rat-hole in the wall. The professor shrugged his shoulders in resignation, and turned to look at the books the rat had been reading. "Hmm...a book of nursery tales, opened to the story about the Pied Piper...books on musical composition...

and textbooks on hypnotism and mesmerism! I wonder..."

Suddenly aware of his danger, the professor ran gasping from the room. "There...there could only be one reason why the rat picked out those particular books to read...and if I find any of my musical instruments gone, I'll know I was right!"

Bursting into his hobby room, the professor was just in time to see the end of his flute being dragged into another rat-hole, and then a bright-eyed rat face seemed to snicker out at him, before it, too, disappeared into the hole. Cold sweat broke out on the professor's face as he ran to his bedroom and began packing hastily. "I...I've got to leave before..."

A thin, eerie wailing suddenly seemed to emanate from the walls of the professor's cliffside house ... a high. plaintive melody that gripped him, held him entranced, drew him toward it ... down ... down the stairs, out onto the lawn where the white rat was dragging the flute along, blowing into it at the same time. Slowly, with the haunting, irresistible melody filling the air, the incredible flutist progressed along the lawn towards the edge of the cliff, with the professor walking slowly behind, his eyes wide open but sightless...like a sleepwalker caught up in a web of strange enchantment. Then, at the cliff's edge. the flutist paused ... but the professor didn't.

The white rat waited until it heard the splash of the professor's body hitting the water a hundred feet below... and then it ran back into the laboratory to release the rest of the laboratory rats --- and let them sip at the marvelous intelligence-stimulator which would soon enable the rats to rule the world!





BUT IT DOES TIE IN, SWEET-HEART--BECAUSE IT'S A NEWSPAPER MORGUE! YO BODIES -- JUST DEAD NEWS-PAPERS! THE MORGUES OF MOST PAPERS MERELY CONTAIN THEIR OWN OLD ISSUES, BUT THE NEW YORK BLADE'S MORGUE IS THE MOST COMPLETE IN THE WORLD, CONTAINING PRACTICALLY EVERY NEWS-PAPER EVER PUBLISHED SINCE REVOLUTIONARY DAYS! IT'S A WONDERFUL PLACE FOR HISTORICAL RESEARCH!



AND SINCE I'M GOING TO BE ON THE NIGHT SHIFT, WHEN VERY FEW CALLS COME THROUGH TO THE MORGUE, I'LL HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO GO THROUGH THE OLD NEWSPAPER FILES AND WORK ON THE THESIS FOR MY PH. D.! YUP, WORKING IN A MORGUE AT NIGHT MIGHT SCARE MOST PEOPLE "BUT ITI'LL BE PARADISE













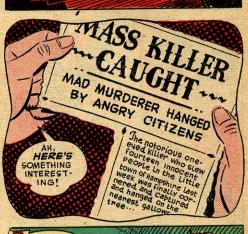




















WELL.WELL ... DON'T TELL ME THE SPOOKS DROVE YOU OUT THIS 500N!

I--- I DON'T FEEL TOO WELL --- I'M AFRAID MOR I'LL HAVE TO TAKE THE REST OF THE NIGHT

LAY OFF HIM, AL --- CAN'T YOU SEE HOW WHITE AND SICK-LOOKING HE 15 ? SURE, GO ON HOME, HAMPTON --- IT'S A QUIET NIGHT, AND I DON'T THINK THERE'LL BE ANY CALLS FOR ANY OF THE FILES FROM THE MORGUE! SEE YOU TOMORROW!



### EXT MORNING ...

... SO YOU SEE WHY I HAD TO COME AND TELL YOU THE WHOLE STORY, ADELE! I .- I DIDN'T SLEEP A WINK ALL NIGHT, WONDERING WHETHER I WAS LOSING MY MIND ... OR WHETHER OLD SWANSON HAD BEEN RIGHT, AFTER ALL!

BUT IT'S FANTASTIC. BERNIE --- THAT OLD MAN'S CRAZY STORY MERELY AFFECTED YOU MORE THAN YOU THOUGHT! YOU LET YOUR IMAGINAT-ION RUN AWAY WITH YOU -- YOU DREAMED

IT ALL!

I COULDN'T HAVE DREAMED IT--THOSE PILES OF DUST WERE **REAL!**APPARENTLY THE SPECTER, OR ECTOPLASMIC EMANATION, WAS SUMMONED BY MY READING ABOUT ITS VIOLENT DEATH .-- AND AS SOON AS THE NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT WAS DESTROYED, IT HAD TO RETURN FROM WHENCE IT CAME! IT ALL FITS IN WITH SWANSON'S THEORY ... BUT IF ONLY THERE WERE SOME SAFE WAY OF TESTING IT, WITHOUT RISK-ING BEING TURNED TO DUST ... WAIT ... I'VE GOT IT!



OF SOMEONE LIKE LINCOLN BY GOING TO THE MORGUE AND READING AN OLD ACCOUNT OF HIS ASSASSINATION ? HIS DEATH WAS VIOLENT ENOUGH AND IF HE DOES MATERIALIZE HE CERTAINLY WON'T TRY TO HARM ME! I'M GOING TO TRY IT ... TONIGHT!

NO WE'RE GOING TO TRY IT --- BECAUSE I'M GOING ALONG TO MAKE SURE YOU IMAGINING THINGS AGAIN!



William Committee





































## Rosemps of This

OT ALL geniuses are mad, but Oswald Farnsworth was. He had a single, maniacal obsession...to wreak revenge on the grandfather who'd disinherited him and forced him to continue his scientific researches in abject poverty. Yes, it was old Grandfather Phineas, the oil millionaire, who had cut Oswald off without a cent when he refused to marry the scatter-brained, but socially-prominent girl his grandfather had picked out for him. But now ... now Oswald was about to have his revenge!

His grandfather had died of a heart attack just a day after Oswald had thwarted him, and just an hour after irately changing his will...but Oswald was not to be thwarted of his vengeance. For twenty years, from the day his grandfather had died, Oswald had spent every waking and dreaming moment in planning and perfecting the timemachine that would enable him to go back twenty years in time and kill old Phineas ... before he had a chance to change his will and disinherit his grandson!

And now the machine was ready...now, with just the flick of a switch...

Grandfather Phineas' old drawing room suddenly filled with a strange, unearthly hum, and for a fraction of a moment Oswald reeled dizzily, flung about in the magnetic temporal-displacement field. But then everything cleared... and Oswald suddenly saw a figure rise in alarm from the armchair in front of him. There was no doubt about it...it

was Phineas Farnsworth, with the familiar hawk-eyed, aristocratic mien...but a Phineas who was strangely young, no more than thirty. Oswald had intended going back just twenty years, when his grandfather was sixty...but apparently his calculations had been off somewhere, and he'd gone back some fifty years in time. But this was no time for regrets... this was a time for revenge... revenge for all the miserable hovels he'd been forced to live and experiment in...revenge for all the years of bitter hunger and poverty!

Drawing a dagger, Oswald advanced menacingly on the young Phineas. "I'm your grandson, Oswald," he grated out, "here to see that you never change your will!"

"You...you' re mad!" quavered Phineas, drawing back.
"You...you can't be my grandson...because..."

"Mad, am I?" shouted Oswald.
"I'll show you how mad I am...
there!"

The dagger blade sank deep into Phineas' chest, and he fell to the carpet. "...because I...I'm not married...yet!" he managed to gasp out...before he died.

Too late, Oswald realized his horrible mistake...saw in a single, searing moment that if Phineas was not yet married, then Oswald's father was not yet born...and Oswald himself could never have existed! Yes, it was too late... because Oswald no longer existed...except in the shadowy limbo of the great Unknown!









WHEN THIS EYEPIECE IS FOCUSED ON ANY OBJECT, THE ATOMIC SCANMERS GO TO WORK, RECREATING THE EXACT MOLECULAR OR CELL
STRUCTURE OF THE OBJECT RIGHT DOWN TO ITS YERY ATOMS ---AND DUPLICATE OF ANY OBJECT IN THE WORLD CAN BE REPRODUCED BY THIS MEANS---AND I CAN STILL REMEMBER HOW I FELT THIS MORNING, AFTER MY FIRST SUCCESSFUL



I'VE DONE IT---I'VE JUST CREATED AN ORANGE! AND NOT ONLY IS IT AN EXACT DUPLICATE OF THE ORIGINAL, BUT IT EVEN TASTES JUST LIKE AN ORCHNARY ORANGE! TILL BE ABLE TO BANISH HUNGER AND POYERTY FROM THE WORLD, BECAUSE ALL THE WORLD'S FOOD, MINERALS AND WEALTH CAN BE DUPLICATED INDERINTELY---THERE'LL BE NO SHORTAGE OF ANYTHING INDER THE SUN!



BUT WAIT---NOT ONLY CAN I DUPLI-CATE THINGS --- BUT MAYBE I CAN ALSO CREATE HUMANS! I'VE GOT TO TRY IT! AND SINCE THERE'S NO ONE ELSE AROUND, 'I'LL JUST FOCUS THE DUPLI-CATOR ON MYSELF --- AND MERELY PRESS THE SWITCH!



THAT WRENCHING ... THAT PAIN ... AS IF EVERY ATOM IN MY BODY IS BEING SUBULECTED TO ENORMOUS FORCES! ... ARGH!































IT'S NO USE, YOU THICK-SKULLED



SUT DAN'S DOUBLE HAS SENSED HIS THOUGHT!













IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE ... UNTIL THAT DUPLICATING MACHINE I'VE BEEN TOLD ABOUT WAS BUILT! I LEARNED ALL ABOUT IT FROM THE COPS WHO WENT OUT ON THAT INVENTOR MURDER CASE YESTERDAY, AND I'VE GOT THIS CASE ALL FIGURED OUT! YOU'RE DAN'S DUPLICATE ... AND I ARREST YOU FOR HIS MURDER!

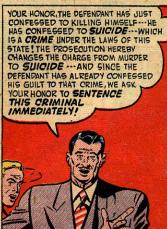
GO AHEAD, SUCKER ... SEE IF YOUR CASE STANDS UP IN COURT!











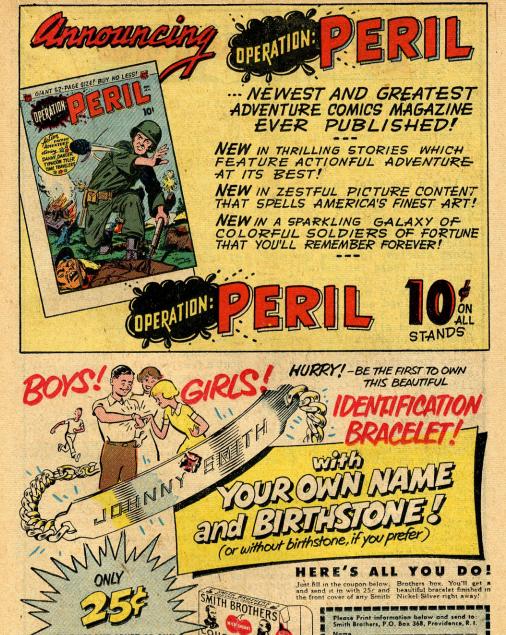




MACHINE! AND THE NEXT TIME YOU SEE A PAIR OF TWING WALKING DOWN THE STREET, STOP AND WONDER...BECAUSE ONE OF THEM MIGHT BE FROM OUT OF THAT MACHINE...

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ELLO, FOLKS! It's nice to meet you again, all you old friends...and to welcome the new members of that world-wide organization known as Loyal Fans of "Adventures into the Unknown"!

It's a wonderful thing, having the large and enthusiastic following which we enjoy...but it's imposed a terrific responsibility on us! For people like you aren't satisfied with run-of-the-mill ghost stories. You know the sunernatural realm far too well for that. Rightly, you demand a better calibre of story, challengingly devised and intriguingly illustrated. You demand all the mystery and allure of the great Unknown... products of ace writers. and trained research investigators. Yes, this has been our responsibility...and we hope we've lived up to it. We've done our

best in this present issue, and whether we've succeeded depends on your reaction. There's "The Werewolf Strikes", for instance.. a new version of the time-honored werewolf legend. And we hope you like "The Haunted Morgue", a radically different type of supernatural yarn which should make your heart beat faster. Then, there's "Land of the Zombies" bringing you, to the muffled thud of death drums, a breathless tale of jungle terror you'll remember forever! All these, plus other tense and gripping features, presented for your entertainment ... in your magazine!

Write and tell us how you like them, won't you? And if you'll bear with us, we'd like to present a few letters we've received from your fellow-fans, telling what they think. Here goes!

"I'm amazed! How did you ever do it? By that, I mean -- how did you ever put out a comic like 'Adventures Into The Unknown'? I think it's magnificent, stupendous and just plain wonderful! I've never read a comic like it and I'm sure I never will. Please, try to put your magazine out a little more often than bimonthly -- it seems like centuries till I get my next copy! -- Deanna Terry, Los Angeles, Cal."

"We've been a fan of your wonderful magazine as long as we can remember. We don't think there's another comic that can equal 'Adventures Into The Unknown'. Your ideas for stories are super! Where do you get those legends you print -- are they true? We can't wait for the next issue!

-- Two Faithful Fans -- Janet Bishop, Judy Irving. Chicago, Ill."

"I've read many spine-chilling magazines, but there's no denying that yours is the best. I have come to the conclusion that what your readers really want when they ask for stories about werewolves and vampires are more terrifying tales and pictures. So come on, be a sport -- we're not afraid if you're not!

-- C. Roland, Pittsburgh, Pa."

Editor's note: Sure, we like to thrill readers, and we'll continue to do so! But our chief aim, as always, will be stories that intrigue and challenge!

dell -- that's that! We'll tribute to it soon. Remember that close the mail bag for this issue. with the hope that you'll con-

we want to hear from you -- so write us!













AGAIN IN A INTERIOR RELAX, PET IT'S AROUND HER! NATURAL PREAM...
YOU WERE SOUND
TO RETAIN THE IMAGE OF THE WOMAN'S FACE
...AND TIE IT IN WITH THE FACT THAT WE'RE GOING TO FRANCE TO SEARCH FOR BATS!

SIS LORNA WAKES WITH A START-

OH-H! VAN -- IS SAW THAT WOMAN AGAIN IN A NIGHTMARE --- WITH HID-

WE'RE GOING AFTER BATS?
BUT, WAN --- I DIDN'T KNOW --UNTIL THIS VERY
MOMENT!





















PHERE'S A REASON FOR THE BLACK SHADOWS AND STIRRING AIR --- A REASON THAT CHANGES A NIGHTMARE INTO SHUDDERING REALITY!



JORNA SHRINKS BACK AS THE CREATURES FLIT CLOSER ... AND SUMLIGHT STRIKES HER HAND ... FLASHING AGAINST THE UPRAISED MOON-STONE!

WE SHOULDN'T HAVE COME HERE, VAN! WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TAMERED WITH SOMETHING WE CAN'T CONTROL!





LAS THE BATS VEER AWAY ... EFLAPPING TO THE CRAGS ABOVE ...

MAYBE WE CAN CONTROL THEM, LORNA! DIDN'T YOU NOTICE HOW THEY SWERVED WHEN THE MOON STONE RING FLASHED

IT ISN'T JUST THE BATS, YAN! SHE'S UP THAT SATANIC WOMAN WITH THE EVIL LAUGH!

Then -- RIPPLING LIKE AN UNCOILED MENACE IN THE EVENING AIR ...







BALFWAY DOWN THE SLOPE, VAN LOOKS BACK! THE WITCH STANDS IN FRONT OF THE YAWNING CAVE, HER RAGS FLAP-PING IN THE SUNGET BREEZE -- THE BATS FLAPPING AROUND HER!









SUDDENLY --- SOUNDING LIKE HOLLOW DRUMBEATS





YOU NEEDN'T APOLOGIZE! BETTER TO

MEDIEVAL TIMES! YOU MEAN THE WITCH THENZ

I KNOW ONLY WHAT HAPPENED



YES, A METHOD WAS FOUND ... AND MAYBE YOU, AS A SCIENTIST, CAN EXPLAIN WHY IT WAS EFFECTIVE ... AFTER EVERYTHING ELSE FAILED! NEITHER HEAVY CHAINS NOR MASSIVE WALLS COULD WITHSTAND LILITH'S WITCHCRAFT ... BUT ONE NIGHT, A GROUP OF PEASANTS STOLE UP THE HILL WHEN SHE RETURNED TO HER CAVE! THEY ROLLED HUGE BOULDERS INTO THE OPEN ING ... AND THIS TIME, LILITH REMAINED IMPRISONED!







TWAT WAS THE SECRET THE PEASANTS STUMBLED ON WHEN THEY
WALLED UP THE CAVE--- THEY USED
FEEDSPAR BOULDERS CONTAINING
BITS OF CRUDE MOONSTONE;
THAT GEM REPRESENTS THE MOON,
WHICH HIDES A DARK PLANET IN THE
NEARBY SKY -- A PLANET KNOWN
AS LILITH! WE'LL WAIT FOR



# THEN ... WITH A SINGLE CANDLE WANLY FINGERING THE DARKNESS.

I WANT YOU TO LIE DOWN AND PRE-TEND TO SLEEP LORNA! THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT WILL HAPPEN "BUT REMEMBER" DON'T GET PANICKY!



FAR BEYOND THE FORBIDDING CRASS OF FECHAMP HILL, A ROOSTER CHALLENGES THE CREEDING MINUTES OF MIDWIGHT - AND IN THE COLD GREEN MODALIGHT, A FIGURE GLIDES DOWN THE SLOPE!







A CIRCLE,

MOON -- MADE

MOONSTONE

LILITH ... THE SIGN OF THE

WITH A

























# Strange The World Strange

HE MOMENT RODNEY laid eyes on the ancient-looking thermometer, he knew he had to have it for his antique collection. There it was in the curio shop window, with faded medieval and cabalistic writing on it, looking as if it had recorded the temperatures of a thousand summers and winters. Yes, he had stumbled upon what was probably the oldest thermometer in existence... and with the avidity of the fanatical antique collector, Rodney swore he would possess it even if it cost him his very soul!

Inside, the tall, saturnine proprietor's eyes glowed with a strange fire when Rodney inquired the price of the thermometer. "It will cost you," the man intoned in a curiously hollow voice, his burning eyes fixed on Rodney's pockets, "exactly \$74.28."

Eagerly, Rodney took out his wallet and began counting the money out. "Why, that's odd," he said suddenly. "I've got exactly \$74.27...I guess I'll have to owe you a penny."

The proprietor pushed a piece of paper and a pen across the counter to Rodney, and said, "You will have to sign a promissory note for the cent... and if you do not pay it by tomorrow, the thermometer will become mine again."

Rodney tried to conceal the laughter bubbling up inside him at having to sign an I.O.U. for one cent, and didn't even bother reading the contract as he signed it. Then, eagerly pocketing the thermometer, he got into his car parked outside and drove home.

An hour later, Rodney sat before the fireplace, an ice-cold highball in one hand and the thermometer in the other. He sipped at his drink and then greedily fondled the thermometer, marvelling at his luck in having found it. "Think I'll try it out," he said suddenly. "I'll just dip it in this highball and see if the mercury goes down to the freezing point..."

But the moment he dropped the thermometer into the glass, a sudden blast of freezing cold seemed to descend upon the room, and Rodney dropped the glass in astonishment. Looking at the wall thermometer, he saw that the temperature of the room had dropped from 74 to 32 degrees in a split second...and outside the window, passers-by pulled up their collars and shivered at the sudden drop in temperature.

Wonderingly, Rodney picked up the fallen thermometer. "Was...was it just a coincidence?" he whispered. "Or did my dropping this medieval thermometer into the iced drink cause the outside temperature to drop to freezing? There's only one way to find out..."

Going over to the fireplace, Rodney carefully held the ancient thermometer over the flames...and instantly, the room temperature went up into the 90's, while passers-by wiped their foreheads and looked at each other in awe and fear at the sudden violent ups and downs of temperature.

"It...it wasn't a coincidence!"
Rodney shouted, "This thermometer
doesn't record temperatures...it makes
them! I...I can produce hot or cold
weather at will...I'll be...Ohhh!"

Rodney suddenly staggered back from the fireplace, realizing too late that he had brought the temperature up too high...and that he was succumbing to heat-stroke.

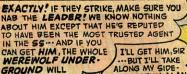
The next day, the newspapers reported the violent extremes of temperature the city had endured...and at the bottom of the obituary page was the small notice of the death of the well-known antique collector, Rodney Ferriss.

The next day, too, the curio shop proprietor had his ancient thermometer back...and another soul for his collection.





I GET IT --- NOW I SEE WHY YOU WANT ME TO ACCOMPANY HANS CASTORP, THE PROMINENT ANTI- NAZI LECTURER, ON HIS TOUR THROUGH THE SMALL VILLAGES OF THE BLACK FOREST! YOU THINK THE UNDERGROUND MIGHT STRIKE AT HIM ... AND YOU WANT ME TO BE AROUND TO STOP THEM



ALONG MY SIDE KICK, CAPTAIN ALAN MARBORO, JUST TO MAKE SURE! BLACK FOREST WERE-WOLVES--HERE WE COME!



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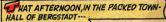
WO DAYS LATER, ON THE GLOOMY SLOPES OF THE BLACK FOREST ---

WE'RE GETTING CLOSE TO THE TOWN OF BEROSTADT ... WHERE YOU MAKE YOUR FIRST LECTURE, HERR CASTORP! PLEASE REMEMBER THAT CAPTAIN MARBORO AND HAVE STRICT ORDERS NOT TO LET YOU OUT OF OUR SIGHT!

BUT IT IS RIDICULOUS --- WHO WOULD WANT TO HURT A HARMLESS OLD MAN LIKE ME ? I WARN YOU ... I DO NOT LIKE TO BE FOLLOWED

CHILD

AROUND AND WATCHED AS IF I WERE A



--- AND IN CONCLUSION, I SAY TO YOU THAT WE GERMANS MUST RENOUNCE THE WHOLE NAZI PHILOSOPHY-WE MUST STRIVE TO BUILD A PEACEFUL, DEMOCRATIC



JUT BY THE TIME THE TWO AMERICANS PUSH THEIR WAY THROUGH THE THRONG...

HERR CASTORP?HE LEFT THROUGH THAT DOOR --- HE SAID HE ALWAYS TAKES A RELAXING WALK AFTER A LECTURE!

COME ON, ALAN THE JEEP OUT-SIDE AND SCOUT AROUND FOR HIM! HE CAN'T























WELL, WE'RE
HUNTING WEREWOLVEG! NE'RE
AFTER THE
LEADER OF THE
LEADER OF THE
UNDERGROUND
I LIKE BRAVE
WEREWOLF
UNDERGROUND
TAKE ME FOR A
NICE LONG WALK
SOME EVENING!



P.-. PLEASE, CAPTAIN ...

PO NOT ASK ME ANY-

THINK ABOUT THE

I KNOW NOTHING!



HERE ARE MY CREPENTIALS, HERE BURGOMEIGTER! I'P LIKE YOU TO TELL ME
EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT THE
WERE WOLF UNDERGROUND
... AND ABOUT A GIRL BY THE
NAME OF MARLENE, WHO
LIVES ON KONIGSTRASSE HERE!







IT--IT ALL ADDS UP! MARLENE
APPEARED MYSTERIOUSLY,
UIST AS THE WOLF THAT KILLED
CASTORP DISAPPEARED--THAT SCRATCH ON HER ARM
COULD HAVE BEEN CAUSED
BY THE BULLET THAT CREASED
THE WOLF! AND I JUIST
REMEMBERED --- LUPUS
IS LATIN FOR WOLF! BUT
WAIT--- ALAN IS PROBABLY
OUT WITH HER RIGHT NOW!
HE'S DATING A WEREWOLF
AND DOESN'T KNOW IT! --I'VE GOT TO FIND HIM!



















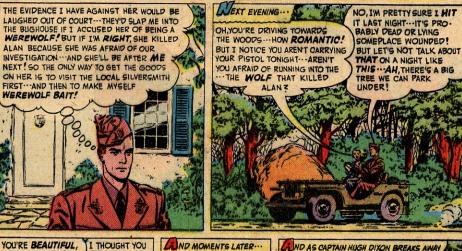




























RIGHT! AND WHEN I



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